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## Office Action Summary

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### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 23 July 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 23 July 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)  
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

### DETAILED ACTION

1. This is a non-final Office Action in response to the present US application number 10/625,385 filed on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2003 and IDS filed on April 09<sup>th</sup>, 2004. Claims 1-15 are pending and have been examined.

#### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 101***

2. 35 U.S.C. 101 reads as follows:

Whoever invents or discovers any new and useful process, machine, manufacture, or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement thereof, may obtain a patent therefor, subject to the conditions and requirements of this title.

Claim 14 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. In particular, according to the disclosure, the components are logical and not physical. Thus, the interface and the various components are all software modules per se.

#### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. **Claims 1-15** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication No. US 2002/0042277 A1 to *Smith, Steven W.* ("*Smith*") in view of U.S. Patent Publication No. US 2002/0026527 to *Das et al.* ("*Das*").

As to **claim 1**, *Smith* does not fully disclose **a method for maintaining SIP contact addresses using event subscription:**

**receiving, by a SIP proxy user agent (UA), a non-SIP registration request from a remote unit.** In particular, *Smith* discloses the concept within one of the various embodiments wherein a client (2G subscriber) registering with a SIP proxy (e.g. *Smith*: paragraphs [0039] and [0044]).

In addition, *Das* also further discloses the concept of a mobile client node can request to register with a dynamic tunneling agent (DTA) in a foreign (or remote) network (which are equivalent to SIP proxy user agents in a home network) (e.g. *Das*: paragraph [0060]);

**sending, in response to the registration request, a combined registration and event subscription message for the remote unit to a SIP registrar.** In particular, *Smith* discloses the concept within one of the various embodiments wherein the 2G client subscriber in addition to registering is also subscribing to receive information from the 3G environment (e.g. *Smith*: paragraphs [0039-0040]); **and**

**receiving, from the SIP registrar, a notification that indicates that an old contact address based on the combined registration and event subscription message is being replaced by a new contact address for the remote unit.** In particular, *Smith* discloses the concept within one of the various embodiments wherein the 2G client subscriber would periodically send a

notification message to update the current location with the Home Location Register (HLR) (e.g. *Smith*: paragraph [0044]).

In addition, *Das* also further discloses the concept of wherein the mobile client node can request for an update on the node's address information (e.g. *Das*: paragraph [0060]).

*Das* and *Smith* are analogous art because they are in the same field of endeavor with respect to registering and subscribing to different networks.

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to combine *Das*' concept of registering and subscribing to networks within *Smith*'s concept of registering and updating a mobile client across various networks within. The suggestion/motivation for combining them would be to keep better track of the roaming mobile nodes as they move between various networks and getting their addresses updated.

As to **claim 2**, *Smith* further discloses **the method of claim 1 wherein the combined registration and event subscription message comprises a SIP REGISTER message and an indication of an event to which the SIP proxy UA subscribes** (e.g. example used in paragraph [0034-0035] discloses of a husband's mobile client registered and roaming around, which can be tracked and thus provides indications to the wife of what's going on).

As to **claim 3**, *Smith* further discloses **the method of claim 2 wherein the event to which the SIP proxy UA subscribes is contact address changes** (e.g. paragraphs [0021-0022], example used in paragraph [0034-0035], and Figure 7).

As to **claim 4**, *Smith* further discloses **the method of claim 2 wherein the combined registration and event subscription message comprises a SIP REGISTER message and a SIP SUBSCRIBE message Event header** (registering and subscribing to keep track of new changes, e.g. paragraphs [0039-0040], [0044], and Figures 1 and 7).

As to **claim 5**, *Smith* further discloses **the method of claim 1 wherein the notification further indicates the new contact address for the remote unit** (e.g. paragraphs [0021-0022] and Figure 7).

In addition, *Das* also further discloses the concept of wherein the mobile client node can request for an update on the node's address information (e.g. *Das*: paragraph [0060]).

*Das* and *Smith* are analogous art because they are in the same field of endeavor with respect to registering and subscribing to different networks.

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to combine *Das*' concept of registering and subscribing to networks within *Smith*'s concept of registering and updating a mobile client across various

networks within. The suggestion/motivation for combining them would be to keep better track of the roaming mobile nodes as they move between various networks and getting their addresses updated.

As to **claim 6**, *Smith* further discloses **the method of claim 5 wherein the notification comprises a SIP NOTIFY message** (e.g. paragraph [0044]).

As to **claim 7**, *Smith* further discloses **a method for maintaining SIP contact addresses using event subscription:**

**receiving a combined registration and event subscription message for a remote unit from a first SIP proxy user agent (UA).** In particular, *Smith* discloses the concept within one of the various embodiments of wherein a 2G client subscriber in addition to registering with the proxy is also subscribing to receive information from the 3G environment (e.g. *Smith*: paragraphs [0039-0040];

**storing, as contact information for the remote unit, a first contact address based on the combined registration and event subscription message.** In particular, *Smith* discloses the concept within one of the various embodiments of a CellID, which gets updated as the client changes locations (e.g. *Smith*: paragraph [0044] and Figure 7);

**in response to receiving the combined registration and event subscription message, subscribing the first SIP proxy UA to the contact**

**information for the remote unit.** In particular, *Smith* discloses the concept within one of the various embodiments wherein all the contact information is collected in the HLR (e.g. *Smith*: paragraphs [0045-0046] and Figure 1;

**receiving a registration message for the remote unit from a second**

**SIP proxy UA after receiving the combined registration and event**

**subscription message.** In particular, *Smith* discloses the concept within one of the various embodiments wherein a mobile client can register with a Visitor Mobile Switching Center (V-MSC), which can also requests for more information from the original HLR (e.g. *Smith*: paragraphs [0028-0029] and Figure 4);

**updating the contact information with a second contact address**

**based on the registration message.** In particular, *Smith* discloses the concept within one of the various embodiments wherein the contact and location information can be updated as the mobile client roams from place to place and the new information gets updated in the original HLR (e.g. *Smith*: paragraphs [0028-0029] and Figures 1, 4, and 7); **and**

**notifying the first SIP proxy UA that the contact information for the**

**remote unit has changed.** In particular, *Smith* discloses the concept within one of the various embodiments wherein the 2G client subscriber would periodically send a notification message to update the current location with the Home Location Register (HLR) (e.g. *Smith*: paragraph [0044]).

In addition, *Das* also further discloses the concept of wherein the mobile client node can request for an update on the node's address information (e.g. *Das*: paragraph [0060]).

*Das* and *Smith* are analogous art because they are in the same field of endeavor with respect to registering and subscribing to different networks.

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to combine *Das*' concept of registering and subscribing to networks within *Smith*'s concept of registering and updating a mobile client across various networks within. The suggestion/motivation for combining them would be to keep better track of the roaming mobile nodes as they move between various networks and getting their addresses updated.

As to **claims 8, 9, and 10**, see the similar conceptual rejections of claims 2, 4, and 5 respectively.

As to **claim 11**, *Smith* further discloses **the method of claim 10 wherein notifying comprises notifying the first SIP proxy UA that the second contact address has replaced the first contact address** (the mobile client would periodically update the location and contact information with each new proxy as it moves around and back with the HLR, e.g. *Smith*: paragraph [0044] and Figure 7).

In addition, *Das* also further discloses the concept of wherein the mobile client node can request for an update on the node's address information (e.g. *Das*: paragraph [0060]).

*Das* and *Smith* are analogous art because they are in the same field of endeavor with respect to registering and subscribing to different networks.

At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to combine *Das*' concept of registering and subscribing to networks within *Smith*'s concept of registering and updating a mobile client across various networks within. The suggestion/motivation for combining them would be to keep better track of the roaming mobile nodes as they move between various networks and getting their addresses updated.

As to **claim 12**, see the similar conceptual rejection of claim 6.

As to **claim 13**, see the similar conceptual rejection of claim 4.

As to **claim 14**, see the similar corresponding conceptual rejection of claim 1. In addition, *Smith* further discloses the concepts of

**a wireless network interface** (wireless telecommunication networks with various interfaces, e.g. *Smith*: paragraphs [0039]); **and**

**a SIP proxy user agent, communicatively coupled to the wireless network interface, adapted to** (e.g. *Smith*: paragraph [0039])...(see the conceptual rejections of claim 1).

As to **claim 15**, see the similar conceptual rejection of claim 7. In addition, *Smith* further discloses the concepts of

**a SIP location data base** (SIP User Agent Server (or database), e.g. *Smith*: paragraph [0039]); and

**a SIP registration processor, communicatively coupled to the SIP registration data base, adapted to** (processor exists within a database, e.g. *Smith*: paragraph [0039])...(see the corresponding conceptual rejection of claim 7).

### ***Conclusion***

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to XIANG YU whose telephone number is (571)270-5695. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm with every other Friday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Patrice L. Winder can be reached on (571)272-3935. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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